COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, *the* *13th of December 1928.*
28th of Vrischigam 1104.

The House met at Half past Eleven of the Clock with the President in the Chair. Messrs. I. E. Ambooken and T. K. Nayar were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Defalcation of Stamps in the Excise Superintendent's Office.

152. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state what has become of the departmental enquiry referred to in the answer to question No. 16 (c) of the Legislative Session of Vrischigam 1103?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—The enquiry is completed. The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Mortality among cattle and preventive measures taken by the Government to check it.

153. Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Government is aware of the abnormal rate of mortality among the cattle in the State during the last 3 months;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken any extra measure to cope with the disease raging among the cattle in the country;

(c) whether any extra expenditure has been incurred on this head?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Panchayats and Village Offices were instructed to give timely intimation of the out-break of cattle disease in any villages to the nearest Veterinary Officer. Preventive measures were taken at once by the latter to check the spread of the disease. Medical aid was also given whenever found necessary.

(c) Yes. Rs. 551 towards the cost of serum purchased from Muktesar for free inoculation.

154. Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Government is aware of the abnormal rate of mortality among the cattle in the State during the last six months;

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